

\$30,000 A YEAR CITY'S LOSS ON SCOW TRIMMING

Woodbury Admits that
Contract Was Let With-
out Advertising.

BRINGS \$1,250 A WEEK.

Under Old System with Open
Bidding City Got Nearly
\$91,000 Annually.

It was developed at the Woodbury investigation to-day that the city loses \$30,000 a year on the scow-trimming contract alone by Commissioner Woodbury's method of letting the contract. Charging that Commissioner Woodbury had been prompted by three men sitting in the audience yesterday, Alderman Griffiths caused a complete change in the arrangement of counsel, witnesses, reporters and audience, at the Aldermanic investigation of the Street Cleaning Department today. The Aldermanic investigation of the private secretary, Riley, making signs, clearly intended to guide the Commissioner in answering questions put by Mr. Ives.

"I was told by another gentleman later," he said, "that two other employees of Woodbury's department sat in the audience and wig-wagged signs to him by a sort of military code. One of them was a man with eye-glasses who sat directly behind Mr. Hand with a pile of files and papers in his charge."

Riley Denies Story. Mr. Riley denied that he had signalled to the Commissioner. "He cannot be expected to remember all sorts of names and details," he said. "I may have nodded or shook my head when a question was answered, but it was not a signal nor intended as such."

Mr. Ives continued the examination of Commissioner Woodbury today and went at once into the management of stables and inspection of horses. Mr. Woodbury said that at times last winter there were 1,222 horses in Manhattan and the Bronx and that he had inspected them all, personally, at least half a dozen times a week. Q. How many horses could you inspect in a night? A. Four hundred, or about 200 an hour.

The Commissioner said inspection consisted of slipping the horse on the back to see if he is in good health, into his nostrils and mouth for a general idea as to his health. The witness admitted he did not know whether there was such an official in his department as chief inspector.

"Before a horse is bought by the department," he said, "he has been passed by five officers—Deputy Commissioner Gibson, Assistant Superintendent Wallace, Veterinarian Walters, of my department, and the Inspector and Veterinarian of the Finance Department. Horses are kept on probation fifteen days before first acceptance, usually kept at Stable A."

Dumps and Scow Trimming. Mr. Ives then put his probe into the relations of the Street Cleaning Department with the New York Contracting and Trucking Company. Q. Who owns the dumping-boards at West Seventy-ninth street and the six streets? A. Mrs. Sheridan is the lessee of the West Ninety-sixth street dumping-board and New York Contracting and Trucking Company of that at Seventy-ninth street.

Q. Is that the same company owned by Murphy and Gaffney? A. I only know the lessee as the New York Contracting and Trucking Company.

Q. Do Murphy and Gaffney own the company? A. I don't know; I have heard so.

The witness said the city has no dumping-board on the west side accessible and pure Mrs. Sheridan, the trucking company thirty cents per load for the privilege of dumping ashes there. He promised to produce a statement showing the total amounts paid during the past three years.

Then the scow-trimming contract with Joseph Marrone was taken up. Witness said Marrone pays the city \$1,250 a week for the privilege of trimming scows. This goes to the Sinking Fund. Losses \$30,000 a Year.

The specific terms of the contract with Marrone were wanted and the document was sent for. While waiting Mr. Woodbury said that Marrone has an equal partner, named Molinelli, in the scow-trimming.

Mr. Ives brought out the fact that under a system of public letting in 1922 the city received \$2,000 for the trimming privilege, and that the present contract was made without public letting. Q. Why was not this contract made by public letting? A. Because that it was not necessary to advertise.

Mr. Ives read from the charter provision relating to public letting. Q. Do you mean to say that under this act you need not advertise these contracts? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Why did you advertise before, and why do you propose to advertise again? A. Because I think I can get more money that way.

The witness said that the total receipts of the department last year were \$67,362. Q. Then, under your system without public competition, the city's income has declined about \$30,000? A. Well, that is due to other conditions as well. There are more dumps and more labor now, and the big department stores are learning the value of their waste and refuse of it themselves. Q. Do you mean to say that one department store can get a third as much for its waste as you can get for the entire waste of the great city? A. That is clean commercial waste, and the city waste is mixed and in bad condition.

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CURED OF CONSUMPTION.

WAS SICK SIX YEARS.
A WELL MAN TO-DAY.

MR. N. D. JENNINGS.

"Dear Sir: After having tried many doctors, who failed to cure me of consumption, and after using every patent medicine I could find without any benefit, I became so discouraged and discouraged that I gave up all hope."

"My cough was constant and severe. I had shortness of breath, night sweats, chills and fever. I lost flesh and strength and appetite, and was finally compelled to give up work on account of hemorrhages. My terrible and distressing symptoms grew worse under any treatment or remedy I tried."

"I decided to try a change of climate, and accordingly spent more than a year in Colorado, but I returned to New York just as bad as when I went away. I thought I had come home to die."

"It was with greatest difficulty that my friends persuaded me to consult Dr. Anderson as a last resort. I had tried so many things without receiving any benefit that I looked upon all treatments as failures."

"But when Dr. Anderson so thoroughly examined me both physically and with his Anderson X-Ray and located my trouble and explained my case plainly, that I could have done myself. I felt suddenly encouraged to try his germicidal inhalation and Electro-Vibratory treatment."

"In a little while I was so improved that I returned to my work. After several months' treatment and carefully following Dr. Anderson's most beneficial advice upon my diet, clothing and outdoor exercise, I regained my flesh and my strength fully restored."

"As that was nearly five years ago, I can safely say, after being sick for six years before I saw Dr. Anderson, that he cured me of consumption, and cured me permanently, for I have never had a sick day since."

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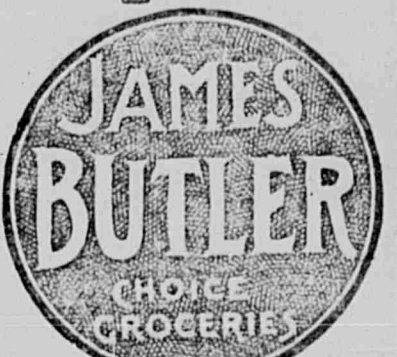
How WE Help Housekeepers



No other retailer can successfully compete with JAMES BUTLER prices, because no other retailer buys so largely or sells so quickly. Our immense volume of business enables us to buy from first hands both here and abroad. We reach out into almost every foreign country and make our own importations. We manufacture extensively and control the entire output of some commodities.

All our foodstuffs, drinks, beverages and supplies are delivered to our stores at first cost. We retail exclusively—always at the smallest margin of profit—occasionally at net cost.

That is why, when you deal regularly with us, two dollars will do the work of three dollars elsewhere—a big saving to housekeepers in the course of a year. Our modern profit-sharing methods have enabled us to build up the largest retail business in America, growing more popular and successful every day. By helping housekeepers we also help ourselves. A few of this week's attractions follow:



17 Strictly Fresh Eggs, 25c.

The new laid fresh eggs—from the hen house to your kitchen as fast as express trains and delivery wagons can bring them. At this season we are bringing them in and selling them at the rate of about a million eggs a day,—that shows how good they are, and how popular our rapid fresh egg service is with housekeepers. An old egg isn't worth much.

Tea and Coffee Importations.

In no other department of our business have we made such giant strides or introduced such substantial economies for our patrons. Our Tea and Coffee importations are now conducted on so vast a scale that we are able to cut in two the prices charged by the ordinary retailer for the same High Grades. You pay us just one-half what you will pay elsewhere for similar quality.

In addition to a saving of half the cost, our liberal stamp offers are an aid to housekeepers in

Helping To Make The Home Beautiful.

This week we give the thrifty housewife the benefit of our three most popular coupon offers as follows:—

Tea Coupon
(E. W. 16)
60 "S. & H." GREEN STAMPS
Free with Every Pound of Butler's Very Best New Teas.
Choice of 5 varieties for **50c**
(Worth \$1 a Pound)

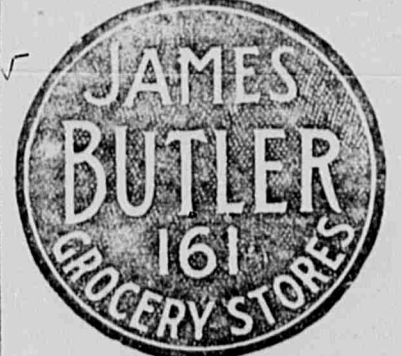
The Family Favorite
60 "S. & H." Green Stamps Free
at Any James Butler Store with All Purchases of
1 lb. Old Government Java Coffee for **30c**
or
1/2 lb. Very Best Tea, choice of 5 varieties, for **25c**
(M. W. 15.) Total Purchase **55c**
Easily Worth \$1.10 at any other retailer's.

Coffee Coupon
(E. W. 16)
25 "S. & H." GREEN STAMPS
Free with One Pound of Butler's Best Old Government Java Coffee **30c**
(Worth 60c a Pound)

Early June Peas.
Essie Brand—Choice—selected, extra sifted, green, sweet, small and tender, with the fresh garden flavor, tender peas, well washed, 1 lb. can, 2 cans **25c**, 13c a can
Asparagus.
Sovereign Brand—Big white, tender, full-flavored spears, packed worth grown in 2-lb. cans; worth elsewhere **25c**, each; our price, **17c** a can

Santa Clara Prunes.
Blue Ribbon—highest grade of sun-dried California fruit, in 3-lb. carton, averaging 55 prunes to the lb., each **25c**
Peerless Malt Extract.
Spring tonic and strengthener; 3 bottles, **25c**; bottle, **9c**

Chocolate Bromangelon.
Nothing equals it for deliciousness and wholesomeness; package **11c**
Triumph Oats—breakfast food for health and strength, mind and muscle; 2-lb. package **10c**
Aunt Sarah's Pancake Flour—Makes the most delicious and digestible muffins and breakfast cakes; 5-lb. package **10c**
Blue Ribbon—largest Louisiana whole head, clean and tender; 1-lb. carton, 50c; 5-lb. carton, **25c**
Triumph Brand—highest grade whole head grain; 5-lb. bag **10c**
Corn Meal—From finest Indian corn; 5-lb. bag **10c**
Honey—Pure, clean and nourishing; 5-lb. package **7c**
Corn Starch—Highest grade; makes most delicious puddings; 1-lb. package **8c**
Ammonia—Concentrated; extra strong; large bottle, **10c**
Violet Ammonia—Refreshing for the hair; bottle, **12c**



Double S. & H. Green Stamps
Free with all purchases of 10 cents or more, except C. O. D. groceries.
California Fruits.
Essie Brand. East View Brand.
The famous quality of ripe, selected fruit, preserved in pure, rich sugar syrup, bottled from the best grade of most reliable growers.
Essie Cherries, large cans, **25c**
Essie Peaches, large cans, **25c**
Essie Apples, large cans, **25c**
Essie Pears, large cans, **25c**
Essie Apricots, large cans, **25c**
Essie Green Gages, large cans, **25c**
Essie Egg Plums, large cans, **25c**
Essie Sliced Peaches, 1-lb. cans, **15c**
East View Cherries, large cans, **25c**
East View Peaches, large cans, **25c**
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